

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017

Outcome 2 - Workplace Relations and Economic Strategy

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000993

Senator Cameron provided in writing.

Relates to previous Employment Question No EMSQ16-000943

Question

Estimates of job losses due to automation

How many workers are estimated to be displaced from jobs in Australia over the next decade through automation and robotics?

Answer

Any estimates regarding the future of work and job automation should be approached with caution as they are only estimates. All statistics are strongly reliant on the assumptions made in each publication to develop that particular analysis.

Furthermore, any such estimates do not take into account the creation of new jobs that may arise in the future.